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USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT AWARDS SOUTH CLEVELAND WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION \$1,280,000

CLEVELAND, TEXAS, March 16, 2005 – Bryan Daniel, USDA Rural Development State Director, announced today that the South Cleveland Water Supply Corporation was awarded \$1,280,000 through the agency's Community Programs Water and Waste Disposal Loan and Grant program. To highlight this event, a ceremonial check will be presented to Donald Enloe, President of South Cleveland Water Supply Corporation. The funds will be used to add an additional well, an elevated storage tank and upgrade distribution system pipelines. Users served by this project are 575.

"It is always an exciting day when we see USDA Rural Development funds at work," said Daniel. "With this funding, residents in Liberty County will have a consistent supply of clean and safe water."

USDA Rural Development's water and wastewater program is designed to bring fresh, clean drinking water and sanitary, environmentally sound sewage facilities to rural America's 53 million residents. Loans and grants are available to rural communities with fewer than 10,000 residents. In fiscal year 2004, \$90.4 million of loan and grant assistance was infused into 82 projects and assisted 228,034 rural Texans.

USDA Rural Development's community programs enhance the quality of life for rural Texans by funding new and improved water and wastewater facilities, providing funds to governmental entities, nonprofit organizations and Indian Tribes to enlarge, improve or construct schools, libraries, medical clinics, assisted living centers, public buildings, community centers.

USDA Rural Development was created in 1994 with a mission to use our resources to help enhance the quality of life for the nation's rural residents. For more information regarding USDA Rural Development programs, contact the Huntsville office at (936) 291-1901, Ext. 4 or visit our website at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/tx/>

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